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TRIPOLI RABAT TUNIS NEW DELHI DACCA 30 OCT 74 QUOTE

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DEPT PASS WHITE HOUSE--GEORGE WILLIAMS

DEPT PASS JUSTICE--FRANK NILAND

NEW DELHI FOR THE SECRETARY'S PARTY

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DEPT PASS MUSCAT

KUWAIT PASS DOHA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, PLO

SUBJECT: ATTACK ON PLO OFFICE

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 1:30 PM, OCT 29, THREE UNKNOWN MALES
FORCED THEIR WAY INTO OFFICES OF PLO, 3RD FLOOR, 101 PARK AVE.
NEW YORK CITY. INTRUDERS BEGAN RANSACKING THE OFFICES. WHEN
HASAN ABD-EL QADIR ABD-EL RAHMAN, A JUNIOR PLO EMPLOYEE
NOMINALLY ATTACHED TO YEMENI MISSION, WHO WAS ALONE IN OFFICE,
ATTEMPTED TO STOP THEM, HE CLAIMS THEY FIRED THREE SHOTS AT
HIM AND STRUCK HIM OVER THE HEAD WITH A PIPE BEFORE FLEEING.

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POLICE RECOVERED ONE .38 CALIBER BULLET WHICH HAD PIERCED AN

INNER WALL OF THE OFFICE. NO PIPE WAS FOUND, WHATEVER SHOTS WERE FIRED MISSED RAHMAN. HE WAS HOWEVER BLEEDING FREELY FROM THE HEAD AND BACK WOUNDS AND WAS TAKEN TO BELLEVUE HOSPITAL IN AN AMBULANCE. HIS CONDITION IS REPORTED AS SATISFACTORY.

2. NEW YORK POLICE, WHO ARRIVED SHORTLY AFTER THE INCIDENT, ARE INVESTIGATING. THEY HAVE SPOKEN TO TWO POSSIBLE WITNESSES WHO WORK IN THE BUILDING AND BOTH GAVE A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION ON ONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS BELIEVED TO BE INVOLVED. MUG SHOTS OF SUSPECTS ARE BEING SHOWN TO RAHMAN.

3. NEW YORK DAILY NEWS AND ASSOCIATED PRESS RECEIVED ANONYMOUS CALL FROM JEWISH ARMED RESISTANCE STRIKE UNIT TAKING CREDIT FOR THE ASSAULT.

4. NEW YORK CITY POLICE HAVE AGREED TO POST A UNIFORMED OFFICER ON 3RD FLOOR, OUTSIDE OFFICES OF PLO, DURING BUSINESS HOURS.

5. CONFIRMING TELECON TO WHITE HOUSE, OCT 29, USUN REQUESTS THAT EPS COVERAGE OF ARAB MISSIONS REQUESTED IN USUN 4387 BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AND CONTINUE THROUGH UN DEBATE ON PALESTINE QUESTION AND THAT PLO OFFICE AND OFFICE OF LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES BE ADDED TO LIST FOR EPS COVERAGE. NEW YORK POLICE COVERING PLO IN IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY, BUT NO ASSURANCE IT WILL CONTINUE.
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